

THE ST. JOSEPH OBSERVER.

VOLUME XI.

ST. JOSEPH, MO., SATURDAY, DECEMBER 7, 1918

NUMBER 14.

WHY PRESIDENT WILSON GOES TO EUROPE

Told By Himself and In Words and Phrases That Cannot Be Misunderstood

He Believes His Presence Necessary to Carry Out His Program for Future World's Peace

If you are one of those numerous people who have been wondering and inquiring as to President Wilson's trip to Europe and why he is going to attend the peace conference as one of the delegates from the United States, you can without the least trouble—except the labor of reading this paper—find out why and for what he is going. But it is well to remind you at the outset that it is his duty to go and that every really true American is glad that he is going. Those who are hostile to America and its institutions, and those who are so narrow in their political views—which are different from his own—oppose his going on the ground that he should not leave this country, but they are few in number—and their views do not count.

To those who are politically hostile to the president's trip it can be said that he will not do as did one Republican chief executive—who at one time made a trip outside of the United States—and that he will not lay violent and hostile hands on any people or any helpless country as did Teddy the Noisy when he went to Panama and purloined a people's country—neither will he spend his time fishing—as did the heavyweight chief executive when he went outside of the United States and into Canada while he was president.

But anyhow—President Wilson is going—and he has now started—and here is why he is going as he told the world when he stood before the joint session of the Senate and House Monday and said:

Why He Is Going.

"I welcome this occasion to announce to the congress my purpose to join in Paris the representatives of the governments with which we have been associated in the war against the central empires, for the purpose of discussing with them the main features of the treaty of peace. I realize the great inconvenience that will attend my leaving the country, particularly at this time, but the conclusion that it was my paramount duty to go has been forced upon me by considerations which I hope will seem as conclusive to you as they have seemed to me.

"The allied governments have accepted the bases of peace which I outlined to the congress on the 8th of January, last, as the central powers also have, and very reasonably desire my personal counsel in their inter-

(Continued on Page Two.)

DR. CHILTON'S MONUMENT

The Handsome New First Christian Church Dedicated Free of Debt.

What will stand to Dr. C. M. Chilton of the First Christian church as the greatest of monuments, was dedicated Sunday in the shape of the handsome new edifice erected at the corner of Tenth and Pavaon streets. The dedicatory services were held Sunday forenoon and Sunday night and were highly interesting, hundreds of people being turned away who could not secure entrance to the commodious and handsome structure. Dr. B. Jenkins of Kansas City preached the dedicatory sermon.

A feature of the occasion was the raising of \$50,120 by the congregation which pays off all debt and starts the new church free of this much dreaded church incubus. The congregation responded nobly to the call and raised more than was needed to place the church structure on the honor roll of debt free.

FOLK SPENT \$8,224 IN HIS RACE.
St. Joseph democrats who are interested in the amount that Joseph V. Folk spent in making the race for United States senator in the election last month, can see through a statement which he filed at Jefferson City this week that if cost him \$8,224 for his primary and general election campaign. Folk was defeated by Selden Sponser of St. Louis for the coveted honor by a majority of 36,000 votes. Folk carried this city and unity by reduced majorities but was defeated by the votes of St. Louis and many of the river counties.

FOR BETTER ROADS

The State Highway Board Getting Ready for a Most Active Campaign Next Year.

If the plans of the state highway commission do not miscarry the coming year will see the greatest activity ever known on the roads of Missouri, if the statements of George E. McIninch of this city, vice chairman of the commission, are correct. Mr. McIninch says that Gov. Gardner is highly pleased now that the differences in the commission have been ironed out, and A. C. McKibben, who was classed as the disturbing element, has been removed. The two million bond issue for this county voted last year, it is figured by Mr. McIninch, will be available, and that means much for this part of the state.

Mr. McIninch states that the report of the commission is now nearly complete, and when presented it will bring out clearly these facts:

There has been used or will be available for use on the highways of the state a total of \$4,306,680.63.

Realized from motor car license fees, sale of option stamps and corporation fees, during biennial period, available for road improvements, \$2,397,755.83.

Federal aid on state roads, \$1,020,000.

Inter-county seat road drag fund for biennial period, \$400,000.

State aid on county roads, \$400,000.

Administration fund of highway department, \$150,000.

Aid on state roads, \$1,020,000.

Among the items of disbursement and appropriations of the highway department appear the following:

Inter-county seat highway drag, \$367,623.55.

State aid on county roads, paid, \$400,000.

State and federal aid appropriated on state roads (about \$200,000 will be paid out by Dec. 31, 1918, balance to be paid as construction progresses), \$2,088,934.20.

There will be a balance in the inter-county seat road drag fund of \$32,377.45, and in the administration fund of \$46,831.80. There is a total inter-county seat road mileage of 11,375 miles.

"It has been the aim of the state highway board to co-operate with the counties, and encourage the building of a state road system," said Mr. McIninch. "During the biennial period of 1917-18 the department has approved 122 road-building projects in sixty-one counties, covering 1,583 miles, at a total outlay of \$4,306,680.63, of which one-half is to be paid by the sixty-one counties, and the other half by the state and federal government."

SCHOOL TERM TO BE EXTENDED.

The school principals and teachers to the number of four hundred met Thursday forenoon to consider the question of what should be done regarding the loss of time on account of the epidemic of grippe, and what could be done as to making up for the loss. By almost unanimous consent it was decided by those interested to take a two weeks vacation at this time without pay, and to offset this the schools will be continued two weeks longer, making the closing date of the term June 6 instead of May 23. The addition of one hour added work to each day when school begins again will make up for all of the time that has been lost.

"DRY'S" SPENT SOME MONEY.

That it cost money for the "dry" to carry on the campaign in Missouri to make the state dry, is settled through the report filed with the secretary of state Thursday, but to St. Joseph people the report may look a trifle queer as it is always the cry of the dry forces that the "wets" use slush funds and they—the drys—do not, but be that as it may the report filed shows that they spent \$47,810.58 for the propagation of their campaign, the greater portion of which went to paid agitator salaries and their expense accounts.

MEYER BLOCK CAUGHT

He Is Convicted in the Federal Court at Lincoln of Bootlegging Booze.

As long as Meyer Block of the Block Liquor company of this city confined his operations to Missouri, he was all right, but the minute that he started to branch out into the wholesale trade in Bill Bryan's dry state, he got into trouble, and also discovered that an Omaha police character's testimony was as good as his own when it came to being heard by a federal jury.

On Thursday Block was convicted in the federal court at Lincoln on the charge of conspiring to violate the Reed amendment which forbids the transportation of liquor into a dry state, it being charged that he trafficked in liquor between the two states.

His conviction came about through the testimony of Sherman Chinberg of Omaha, a noted police character, who testified that he had hired out to a man named Gaspard to transport 100 cases of the juice of future punishment from St. Joseph to Omaha, and that Gaspard had told him that he had bought the goods from Block. Block on his part proved that he had never known Chinberg and never had any dealings with him of any kind, but it did him no good, as the jury convicted both he and Gaspard.

TO HAVE CHRISTMAS TREE

The Poor Children of the City to Not Be Deprived of Their Annual Enjoyment.

Each year for the past decade the poor children of the city have been given a day of enjoyment in the shape of a municipal Christmas tree and frolic. For a long time this year, it looked as though the little ones stood a good show to be shut out, but all is now moving smoothly and they will be remembered on that great day—for them.

Judge Charles Nowland called on Mayor Whitwell Wednesday and so strong was his plea for the little ones that the Mayor decided to go ahead and accordingly appointed J. R. Clay, city comptroller, as custodian of the fund, which is to be raised to the amount of \$1,500. All who will help to make the day one of joy for the poor little ones are asked to send checks to Comptroller Clay at the city hall.

In addition to Judge Nowland, a number of other prominent St. Joseph people called on the mayor and urged that the municipal Christmas tree be again a feature—and they also left checks with which to start the ball rolling. As the time is short the work must be done quickly, so send your check today.

HE YELLED "HAW"

When He Should Have Howled "Gee"—and Then the Crash Came.

If William Henry Beattie of the Brittain Dry Goods Co. had pushed a little on the steering wheel, or yelled "Gee" instead of "Haw" when he got uncomfortably close to Ray Battrell's flivver with his own boat Saturday night, that catastrophe—as the space writer would put it—would not have occurred—at least that is the opinion of competent judges.

As it was, on that occasion when the Beattie and Battrell cars met near Twenty-second and Clay streets, they found that they could neither pass or climb over each other on the same strip of ground, and as a result the depletion of the Beattie and Battrell purses for repair incidentals will cut down the Christmas gift enterprise in both families, and transfer the custom to the fellows who repaired the much dislocated boats.

BURNETT IS CONVICTED

Is Given Two Years in the Penitentiary for Defrauding Mrs. Elsie Disbrow.

A case that has attracted more than usual attention was concluded in the criminal court Wednesday when a jury gave R. D. Burnett, a former contracting carpenter of this city, two years in the penitentiary for defrauding Mrs. Elsie Disbrow, an aged widow, on a contract he had made with her to rebuild a house that had been destroyed by fire.

The Masonic fraternity of this city took a great interest in the case, as they after the house was destroyed had guaranteed and afterward paid the bills for the new house, which Burnett had already collected from the widow. Burnett maintained that the bills he collected were for extra work.

REMEMBER THE FIGURES

Or the Income Tax Man Will Catch You Red-handed and Punish You.

When the men of 18 to 37 filled out their questionnaires they put themselves "in a box"—figuratively speaking—for unwittingly they gave the income tax department which is going to be most strenuous in its demands for the next few years a grasp that those who may be inclined to "fudge" on their income tax returns a strangle hold. All St. Joseph men who registered then and who do not relish paying more tax than they are forced to, will do well to govern themselves accordingly.

And the reason that they should keep a careful lookout, is that all of them who answered their questionnaire fully in respect to their financial rating is, that some time ago the war department issued an order permitting income tax officials of the Treasury Department to have access to all questionnaires.

In each question, the registrant was compelled to answer to the amount of his annual income and the amount of that which he contributed to the support of his dependents. Thus there is available for the Treasury Department in the case of many millions who registered, but who have not served in the army, a record to check against the income tax returns when they are made for the next tax assessment.

If glaring irregularities are found between actual income returns and the returns of the individual in his draft questionnaire, such individual might be called upon for an explanation and serious difficulties might follow.

That the order permitting the income tax agents to have access to the questionnaires has not been generally known is a fact. Also, that appeals from state taxing bodies to see the questionnaires for the purpose of checking the financial values of individuals was not permitted by the War Department.

Farmers of the country are said to be particularly aroused over the revelation that their questionnaires are being scrutinized by income tax agents, for the reason that few farmers heretofore have paid income taxes, but in order to make a good food production showing they recorded their earnings in real size. In fact, it is said that the principal investigations being made by the federal treasury officials are into the questionnaires from the rural population.

FLAPJACKS IN FRANCE

Rivalry Among Company Cooks Is Now Centered on the Great American Breakfast Staple.

From a letter received from Charles F. Booher, who entered the service here and who is a nephew of Congressman Charles F. Booher, and is now in the tank service in France, it would seem that the company cooks of the American units are having strong rivalry as to who can finish the quickest and bake the most of the great American breakfast staple—buckwheat cakes or flapjacks. It also appears from the statement which is appended that these cooks use remarkable cooking apparatus. The clipping which follows is taken from the Paris edition of the New York Herald, and was sent by Mr. Booher. It tells the story this way:

"To the Editor of The Herald:

"We have noted with much interest in the Herald the piece about Eugene Fred Harrison trying to make 'flapjacks' as he calls them, and we want to say that he has never fried hot cakes yet. We have never had such a large griddle nor fried in such a large amount of time, but we do make cakes about twice a week in our company, and it is necessary to make 500 or more to feed 'our bunch,' and it takes us all of 35 minutes to make them. Our griddles are not square, but they are good ones, being calve-shaped plates of Tanka. The dimensions are 25x17x14x3x1/2x3/4."

"Our turners are made of trench mirrors, and German gun-pumps, and German anti-tank gun-shells and bullets, and I think that they are the only ones of this nature all over the world. The cakes average 5 inches in diameter, and we see no use of having a frying contest, as we have Ensign Henderson beat over 150 cakes per hour, and we are now situated, neither of us could get off at this time. We made our cakes on the same front in the same drive as our proposed contestants, but have left there long ago, and we are now on another front making hot cakes for our boys."

Respectfully,

JOHN HENDERSON,

EINAR JOHNSON,

Cooks for the — Repair and Salvage Co., — Center,

A. P. O. 714, Amer. E. F."

DRIVES MCNEELEY'S CAR

And It Has Been Some "Shot Up" Since It Has Been in Service.

As to just how much Col. John D. McNeely of this city who has been doing his duty fighting for his country in France has come in contact with the fire of the enemy since he has been over there, is not as yet known, but one thing is certain and that is that his automobile has been under fire on more than one occasion. This is shown through the medium of a letter received by Mr. and Mrs. J. C. White of near Maryville, from their son, Wilfred, attached to the 38th division, who has been since he arrived in France driving Col. McNeely's car. That part of his letter says:

"France, Nov. 2.

"My Dear Folks: How is everyone at home? I wish I was there for awhile and think I will be before long. I am feeling fine and weigh 155, so you see I am well taken care of. I got the papers you sent all O. K. and sure did enjoy them. I am getting so I can understand French alright but it is hard to make sentences, everything seems backward to me. Just now there is a couple of French girls in the next room talking and they do not think I understand them. They were wondering what I was writing so I turned around and told them and you should have seen their eyes and heard them apologize when I spoke. You said Bill had been over the top in the trenches. I am glad that is all over now. I have been to the trenches six times and had nine holes put in my car and one through my coat and at that I would not take thousands for my experience nor would I give a dime for another. One chance like that is enough for me. Now don't worry about me for I am all safe and sound. I am still driving the Colonel's car. Just got in yesterday from a 300 mile trip. I sure get to see some sights."

THE BOYS WHO ARE CRIPPLED.

Herbert C. Coulter of New York, a sister of Mrs. Huston Wyeth, is now visiting at the Wyeth home. She is a former St. Joseph lady and "comes home" ever so often to visit her old friends. On her trip here this time she says that in the Putman in which she came, there were but two other lady passengers, the balance of the car being filled with crippled soldiers who were en route to a "reconstruction hospital where they will be 'made over' at government expense. Most of these soldiers had fought at Chateau Thierry and many were almost hopeless wrecks, but when the government gets through with them they will be new men."

THE STATE TAX COMMISSION NOT SATISFIED WITH BACHMAN COUNTY ASSESSMENT.

If a report received here coming from Jefferson City is correct, County Assessor John M. Crawford is not yet through with his clash of last spring with the state tax commission.

At that time the tax commission claimed that Assessor Crawford had not listed the taxable property in this city and in the county at its full cash value as the law required, and boosted it from \$14,979,290 to \$18,040,550, and after the county assessor had made a statement to them, the commission again took another hold and raised the value to \$119,093,913.

Now it is said that the tax commission wants Crawford to make a statement showing at what percentage he assessed the value of the property, and if it is not forthcoming will hold up the state's part of his salary.

THE BOYS WHO ARE CRIPPLED.

Herbert C. Coulter of New York, a sister of Mrs. Huston Wyeth, is now visiting at the Wyeth home. She is a former St. Joseph lady and "comes home" ever so often to visit her old friends. On her trip here this time she says that in the Putman in which she came, there were but two other lady passengers, the balance of the car being filled with crippled soldiers who were en route to a "reconstruction hospital where they will be 'made over' at government expense. Most of these soldiers had fought at Chateau Thierry and many were almost hopeless wrecks, but when the government gets through with them they will be new men."

St. Joseph invites you to spend the Christmas holidays here.

REMEMBER THE FIGURES

Or the Income Tax Man Will Catch You Red-handed and Punish You.

When the men of 18 to 37 filled out their questionnaires they put themselves "in a box"—figuratively speaking—for unwittingly they gave the income tax department which is going to be most strenuous in its demands for the next few years a grasp that those who may be inclined to "fudge" on their income tax returns a strangle hold. All St. Joseph men who registered then and who do not relish paying more tax than they are forced to, will do well to govern themselves accordingly.

And the reason that they should keep a careful lookout, is that all of them who answered their questionnaire fully in respect to their financial rating is, that some time ago the war department issued an order permitting income tax officials of the Treasury Department to have access to all questionnaires.

In each question, the registrant was compelled to answer to the amount of his annual income and the amount of that which he contributed to the support of his dependents. Thus there is available for the Treasury Department in the case of many millions who registered, but who have not served in the army, a record to check against the income tax returns when they are made for the next tax assessment.

If glaring irregularities are found between actual income returns and the returns of the individual in his draft questionnaire, such individual might be called upon for an explanation and serious difficulties might follow.

That the order permitting the income tax agents to have access to the questionnaires has not been generally known is a fact. Also, that appeals from state taxing bodies to see the questionnaires for the purpose of checking the financial values of individuals was not permitted by the War Department.

DRIVES MCNEELEY'S CAR

And It Has Been Some "Shot Up" Since It Has Been in Service.

As to just how much Col. John D. McNeely of this city who has been doing his duty fighting for his country in France has come in contact with the fire of the enemy since he has been over there, is not as yet known, but one thing is certain and that is that his automobile has been under fire on more than one occasion. This is shown through the medium of a letter received by Mr. and Mrs. J. C. White of near Maryville, from their son, Wilfred, attached to the 38th division, who has been since he arrived in France driving Col. McNeely's car. That part of his letter says:

"France, Nov. 2.

"My Dear Folks: How is everyone at home? I wish I was there for awhile and think I will be before long. I am feeling fine and weigh 155, so you see I am well taken care of. I got the papers you sent all O. K. and sure did enjoy them. I am getting so I can understand French alright but it is hard to make sentences, everything seems backward to me. Just now there is a couple of French girls in the next room talking and they do not think I understand them. They were wondering what I was writing so I turned around and told them and you should have seen their eyes and heard them apologize when I spoke. You said Bill had been over the top in the trenches. I am glad that is all over now. I have been to the trenches six times and had nine holes put in my car and one through my coat and at that I would not take thousands for my experience nor would I give a dime for another. One chance like that is enough for me. Now don't worry about me for I am all safe and sound. I am still driving the Colonel's car. Just got in yesterday from a 300 mile trip. I sure get to see some sights."

THE BOYS WHO ARE CRIPPLED.

Herbert C. Coulter of New York, a sister of Mrs. Huston Wyeth, is now visiting at the Wyeth home. She is a former St. Joseph lady and "comes home" ever so often to visit her old friends. On her trip here this time she says that in the Putman in which she came, there were but two other lady passengers, the balance of the car being filled with crippled soldiers who were en route to a "reconstruction hospital where they will be 'made over' at government expense. Most of these soldiers had fought at Chateau Thierry and many were almost hopeless wrecks, but when the government gets through with them they will be new men."

St. Joseph invites you to spend the Christmas holidays here.

WENT THROUGH SEVEN TERRIBLE DAYS

Was Under Fire During Every Hour of That Long Period

AND YET LIVED TO TELL THE TALE

What the Boys From Northwest Missouri Endured During the Awful Days in the Battles of the Argonne Forest Which Result Had Much to Do With Bringing to a Close the Greatest War in the History of the World.

In the last days of September the Argonne Forest battle was fought "over there," and the 38th Division, of which many Bethany and Harrison county and Northwest Missouri boys are a part, played a leading part in the fight. The whole division was constantly drenched with fire by the boches, but, in spite of the terrific fighting and heavy losses suffered, the Yanks succeeded in capturing Cheppy, Esmermont, Very, Charpeny and Vanquois Hill.

In an article in a Kansas City paper last Friday, "O. P. H." described the misery and suffering and heroic gallantry of the 38th Division in this battle. Following are a few extracts from the article:

"A high explosive shell landed among several of the khaki clad men from Missouri and Kansas, killing some, wounding some, and blowing one boy straight up in the air. He

(Continued on Page 2.)

THE SCHOOLS CLOSED

The Board After Hearing Reports Decided to Suspend Operations Until Dec. 30.

At a meeting of the school board and the health officials of the city Monday night, reports were presented to that body showing that there were over 2,000 children who were not attending the public schools at the present on account of fear of the grippie epidemic and that a number of teachers were ill. It was decided in view of these facts that the schools should be suspended until Monday, Dec. 30.

Reports submitted also showed that the malady was not as severe as at the time that the schools were first closed and that out of the 12,000 school children of the city but one had died during the present recurrence of the disease. It was also shown that there were but few cases at present that had pneumonia complications, but it was deemed the policy of wisdom to close for the time mentioned.

NED KING'S NEW "TANK."

Our own Ned King, who handled the two Liberty loans in a way that brought over the top results each time, now has a "tank." Now do not consider that he has a "wet tank," neither that he is putting on a bay window, for neither is the case, but the real facts in the matter are that on account of the specially good work that he did, the Liberty Loan national committee gave him a "tank"—a real fighting tank—to name—and he has done so this week upon receipt of information from headquarters—and he promptly named it what that great booster for this city naturally would, the "City of St. Joseph."

GAS COMPANY GETS A RAISE.

After comparing St. Joseph with its more than 120,000 people with hinky dinky places like Alton, Ill., Cairo, Ill., Bloomington, Ill., Champaign, Ill., and Ames, Ia., not one of them having reached the dignity of a fifteen thousand population, the St. Joseph Gas Co. was on Tuesday allowed by the state utility commission to advance its rates from \$1 per thousand to \$1.30 per thousand feet, effective Dec. 10. The rate is operative for six months, at which time the commission will look into matters again.

SUDDEN DEATH OF DR. MURPHY.

Shortly after he had retired Monday night after entertaining a number of his friends at the parsonage on South Tenth street, Dr. George S. Murphy, pastor of the English Lutheran church, suffered a stroke of apoplexy and died in a short time. He had been pastor of the church for over seven years and was well and favorably known. He leaves the first English Lutheran church which he built, as a monument to his memory.

A CHICKEN AUTOCRAT

Mrs. E. W. Leghorn Occupied a Prominent Place at the Poultry Show.

"Cut! Cut! Cut! Cuck-a-oo cut!" "Cut! Cut! Cut!" "Pardon me, madam, but I see you have laid an egg." An egg, market value more than 4 cents, lay gleaming on the floor of Mrs. E. W. Leghorn's pen at the poultry show Tuesday, which has been the center of attraction this week in the auditorium.

Mrs. Leghorn looked annoyed. "I am not accustomed to being interrupted in this untoward manner," said she, with the air of a St. Joseph aristocrat. Fresh eggs in St. Joseph are selling for 75 to 80 cents a dozen, the highest on record.

"But you have laid an egg!"

"Is that startling? For a hen to lay an egg? It may be an occasion for remark if one of those common hens in the other pens did it, but for me, who won the prize for laying 212 eggs a year, it is nothing for comment."

Mrs. Leghorn's heart softened when she saw her cutting words caused embarrassment. "I just learned that a man offered a dollar for a dozen of my eggs, just to eat. I am really quite happy over the distinction."

"By the way, did you read in the latest poultry journal the government statistics showing the average hen lays seventy eggs a year?"

"No? Well, it is true. I can't help feeling elated over my record. I am confident of taking the prize at this show."

"My intimate friends call me Betty, and I live on Elwood McDonald's farm in East St. Joseph. I have the loveliest nest out there."

A huge light Brahma rooster in a nearby pen cawed with deafening vigor. A look of annoyance again crossed Betty's face.

"I'd like to know what he is crowing about," she declared. "What has he done? He never lays an egg, the old hypocrite. All he does is to remind these deafening equals of his."

"Listen. Did you know a man wrote to one of the St. Joseph papers saying something should be done to prevent the roosters from crowing so loud? Well, it is a secret, but we hens all agree with him."

Mrs. Hoadley over there, the one with the feathers on her head that look like a hat, was talking to me about the letter just before we went to sleep last night."

Great crowds have filled the Auditorium each afternoon and evening during the six poultry show which competent judges declare was the best ever held in St. Joseph. Features of the show were lectures and addresses each day and evening by noted poultry experts. The exhibits were the largest known since this annual feature for St. Joseph poultry lovers was established as a yearly event in this city.

VALUED THE ST. JOSEPH L. H. & P. CO.'S PROPERTY.

Charles L. Faust, city counselor, on Monday received from the engineers of the state public service commission, their report on the valuation of the property of the St. Joseph Railway, Light, Heat & Power Co., as made from their surveys this summer. According to their report which is very comprehensive the total valuation of the physical properties of the corporation is \$2,115,901.25 and the experts say that it would cost that much to reproduce it. In the tabulation each section of the property is gone over in detail. These reports will be used by Counselor Faust in making his argument against a raise in street car rates, which the company is now asking at the hands of the public utilities commission.

DEMOCRATIC COMMITTEE FILES ITS REPORT.

James S. Burris, treasurer for the Buchanan County Democratic central committee, on Tuesday filed as required by law, the statement of receipts and expenditures for the committee during the last campaign, which showed total receipts of \$1,786.73, and expenditures of \$1,922.20, leaving a balance on hand of \$114.53. The showing is a good one, and speaks well for the management of the campaign.

CAR RATE INCREASE DOES NOT APPLY.

The increase of car fare rates granted by the public utilities commission to Kansas City does not apply to St. Joseph as many people here believe. The 8 cent rate only applies to Kansas City, and for that matter will not be operative there as three federal judges sitting as a court en banc at that place Monday rendered a decision that it should not be placed in effect in that Windy city.